

PRESIDENT'S BALL

At Bay St. Louis, Thursday, January 30. Aside from patriotism the cause in interest of afflicted children is self-appealing.

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## HANCOCK CO. LIBRARY RECEIVES GIFT OF 347 BOOKS FROM CINCINNATI

Public Library of That City Made Gift as Compliment to Mrs. Caroline Dale Sneedler, Author, Who Is Spending Winter In Bay St. Louis.

The Hancock County Free Library is the recipient of a splendid gift of three hundred and forty-seven books, donated by the Cincinnati Public Library out of compliment to Mrs. Caroline Dale Sneedler, that well known and greatly loved figure in the world of story-writing who for years has made Bay St. Louis her winter home. While the majority of the books received from the Cincinnati library are fiction, a good many excellent works of reference are included in the collection.

Twenty-seven books, requiring only resorting and binding to make them enjoyable and profitable reading, have been sent in by the Cleveland Home For the Blind.

A life of Will Rogers, by P. G. O'Brien, has been presented to the library by Mrs. C. L. Horton of Bay St. Louis.

Sixty-five novels have been received from Mrs. Edward Heath of New Orleans; Mrs. David Montgomery, of Bay St. Louis, has contributed forty-three volumes most of which are stories for young people.

The Garden Murder Case, by S. S. Van Dine, has been purchased for the pay shelf in the front reading-room. Alice Adams, by Booth Tarkington, Tom Sawyer, by Mark Twain, Green Mansions, by Hudson, Nevada, by Zane Grey, and Huckleberry Finn, by Mark Twain, have been purchased for circulation on the free lists.

The following news note has been forwarded to us from Mrs. Cora Martin, of the free library at Flat Top, Mississippi: "Mrs. Cora Martin had at her library Saturday afternoon story telling and singing by the little children. Five-year-old Leclare Wheat won first prize for telling the Bear Story. First prize for singing a song was won by Vinson Miller. Both Leclare and Vinson were given a sack of candy. Marie Mitchell donated two books: 'The Bad Green Cat' and 'Baseball' to the library. Several books have been lent to the library by Miss Mildred Wheat."

The Review of the Month Club, of Bay St. Louis, will hold its January meeting next Tuesday morning at ten-thirty o'clock, immediately following the business meeting of the Library Board of Managers. Mrs. Roland Weston will review North To the Orient, by Anne Lindberg, and Mrs. C. L. Horton will talk on current events.

### COUNTY AGENT AND ASSISTANT ATTEND IMPORTANT MEETING

Represent Hancock at County Program Planning Convention at Hattiesburg

The annual meeting of Mississippi Extension workers was held the week beginning December 30 and ending January 3. J. A. Bozeman, county agent, and Jeanette Hunter, assistant Home Demonstration Agent of Hancock county attended this meeting. The chief objective of the meeting was county program planning so as to improve and enrich farm homes and farm families.

The primary purpose of county program planning is to assemble such statistics as might be deemed necessary by the U. S. Department of Agriculture to enable them to develop a long time agricultural adjustment program for agriculture. Each agricultural county in the United States is expected to set up a committee consisting of from 10 to 20 people who are directly or indirectly interested in the farmers of this county to the extent that they are willing to devote a part of their time and thought to the immediate problems confronting the American farmers and that is the purpose of long time agricultural adjustment.

Albert S. McQueen Assumes New Position With Standard Oil Co.

Albert S. McQueen has assumed his new position as resident manager with the Standard Oil Company, with headquarters in Bay St. Louis, succeeding Mr. Hardy, resigned, and is actively engaged in the discharge of his new duties. Mr. McQueen was former county superintendent of education and is universally known both in county and city and admirably qualified for the duties of his new responsibilities.

### NATIVE BAY ST. LOUIS RESIDENT ASSUMES OFFICE OF SHERIFF



CLAUD MONTI

Claud Monti, native Bay St. Louisian and business man, assumed the important office Monday of sheriff and tax-collector for Hancock county, for the full term of four years.

There is no man better known and more universally esteemed than Claud Monti. And when it is said he defeated formidable opponents, men of standing, prominence and of equal popularity, his success at the polls is all the more to his credit.

A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Monti, pioneer residents of the city of Bay St. Louis, and representative and outstanding citizens of their day, he is consequently well connected. Educated in the schools of Bay St. Louis, he embarked in business in his early years, from a small beginning his enterprise and energy was rewarded by the continued expansion of his business, corner Hancock and Citizen streets' as wheelwright and carriage builder, his brother Tom who has been a faithful and loyal associate all these years, assisting.

Mr. Monti had the first automobile agency in Bay St. Louis and Hancock county, the first to sell the Ford car, and sold, later associated with Messrs. Edwards Bros., thousands of cars to the good people of this locality. It was to the many he sold their first automobile. His dealings have always been strictly on the level, abiding by that unfailing belief that the customer is always right.

His wide acquaintance over Hancock county and yielding to the constant solicitation of friends, some years ago he became a candidate for the sheriff's office and although not elected at first, a newcomer in the field of political contenders, he realized a long-cherished ambition when he was sworn in Monday as sheriff and tax-collector and took full reigns of the office, succeeding T. Ed Kellar, who, under law could not succeed himself for a consecutive term.

In early life Mr. Monti married Miss Marie Quintini, only daughter of the late August and Annie Quintini, reared in this city and a graduate of St. Joseph Academy.

In addition to his brother Tom, John and Albert Monti are also brothers, the latter chief of the Waterworks System, City Bay St. Louis, and a sister, Mrs. Philo Monti Gaspard, representing the "G" ownership in the firm of Ames and Gaspard, owners and operators of the A. & G. Theater.

Although a long and active business career, starting life early, he is yet comparatively a young man—energetic, enterprising, and enthusiastic, and he will fulfill the duties of his office in most acceptable manner.

He is of cordial temperament, engaging manner, and willing to do and accommodate and with this splendid combination it is easy to foresee his administration of the affairs of the office will not only be acceptable to one and all but his term in office will prove one of general satisfaction.

### NOTICE OF MEETING

Members of St. Stanislaus Parents' Club will be interested to be reminded of the regular monthly meeting to be held at the college, Wednesday, January 15, at 2:30 o'clock afternoon. Members and other friends of the organization are asked to be present.

### REV. A. J. GMELCH ELECTED HEAD OF BAY-PASS SCOUTS

District Court of Honor to Be Presented February 8-14—Spring Field Meet April 25

At the January meeting of the Scouting Committee of the Bay-Pass District which was held on Friday at the Tropical Inn, the Rev. Father A. J. Gmelch, of Bay St. Louis, was elected District Chairman for the year 1936, succeeding the Rev. Gerald Jones, of Pass Christian. Mr. James M. Terrell of Pass Christian, succeeds Mr. Laurent Dickson, of Bay St. Louis, as Scout Commissioner during the coming term. Committee appointments are to be made following a conference between the newly elected officers and Field Executive Clyde Surgi, of New Orleans.

Saturday, April 25, was tentatively set aside as the time for the spring Field Meet for the four troops of the Bay-Pass District, at which time the troops will compete in scouting events before all those who are interested in the progress of scouting.

The week of February 8-14, Anniversary of Scouting in America, was set aside for the next district Court of Honor, all troops to work up special programs with which to celebrate the anniversary occasion. The actual date of the Court will be determined later.

The Committee requested the Field Executive to arrange for the District Training School for the weeks immediately following Easter, or for the last two weeks of April and the first three weeks of May. The Executive will make every effort to arrange the School for that time.

Emphasis was laid upon the annual meeting of the Area to be held in New Orleans on January 9. Some ten members of the District indicated their intention to attend.

Reports from the four troops were made by their Scoutmasters, the prospects for the coming year being unusually promising. Community cooperation in the organized work among boys is one of the most valuable factors in our American growth.

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This will be possible at comparatively no distant date, some ten years hence. Hancock county bonds are fast falling due and the majority already retired. Actual cost of cold and settled weather."

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"If the bonds outstanding of Hancock county were redeemed," said a well known official executive, "the county would not only be on cash basis again, but the tax levy would be ample at twenty mills."

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"The cheery and welcome sound of the whistle of the Bay Canning Company was again heard Wednesday morning, a signal for work and good pay for many of our people.

Recently a successful season of shrimp fishing and canning came to a close and the oyster season of canning began Wednesday morning.

"George T. Herlihy was re-elected chairman of the new Board of Directors elected by stockholders of the Merchants Bank & Trust Company, of Bay St. Louis, at the annual meeting held at the banking house this year, assuring him of a successful season of shrimp fishing and canning came to a close and the oyster season of canning began Wednesday morning.

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Bay St. Louis, Miss., under Act of March 3, 1879.**"IT DOESN'T MATTER."**

IT doesn't matter whose son you are," said Joseph Stalin last week to a young farmer from the mines of Russia, "but who and what you are and how you work."

The sentence is good advice for all believers in democracy but especially significant because the young man told the Soviet dictator, "I am the son of a kulak."

These comparatively wealthy landowners have been the object of much persecution in Russia, where their lands have been appropriated and scattered among the loyal communists. Toward them, as a group the ruling class of present day Russia have exhibited considerable hatred.

Stalin's remarks came as a group of workers assembled in Moscow as the guests of the government to receive public praise for high production records. It seems to mark an end to some of the bitterness in the intense class struggle in Sovietland.

**BIGGEST NEWS STORIES**

THE editors of 128 newspapers were asked by the Columbia Broadcasting System to list the biggest news stories of last year and while the selections made were by no means unanimous it may be interesting to look over the composite judgment of the newspaper men.

Leading other events was the opinion of the Supreme Court, killing the NRA. Then came in order of votes received, the war in Africa, the Hauptmann trial, Long's assassination, transpacific air mail, Florida hurricane, stratosphere flight, Joe Louis's rise to boxing prominence, destruction of the Macon, rearmament of Germany and the kidnapping of George Weyerhaeuser at Tacoma.

If you have ideas on the subject and wish to express them send a letter to the editor, telling what you rank ahead of these events and give, briefly your reasons. Interesting letters will be published in The Sea Coast Echo.

Our idea of wasting time is planning to spend the money that you expect to make in 1936.

**A PLAN FOR OLD AGE**

ONE of the results of the passage of Federal Social Security Act has been the awakening of interest on the part of some large companies in the welfare of their employees. Some of these organizations have announced plans to protect their employees against the economic dangers the Social Security Act seeks to eliminate.

The trouble with the initiative now being shown by these corporations is that it comes after government action has forced it. From the standpoint of society it is better for some nation-wide plan to be worked out than to have a limited number of employees who happen to work for such corporations to be protected while the great mass of workers remained unprotected.

**GOVERNOR CONNER'S MERCY COURT**

GOVERNOR Conner has ended his "mercy court" hearings at the state penitentiary for "forgotten prisoners," a novel plan he adopted last spring for granting clemency to those prisoners who had all but lost their identities during long confinement. On his final visit last week the governor released about 25 more convicts under his suspended sentence policy, the period of freedom to be measured by the good behavior of the prisoners. Approximately 100 convicts have been freed as a result of the "mercy court."

Going to church in 1936 will pay big dividends to the man or woman who is anxious to live right.

**GOVERNOR CHOOSES NEWSPAPER MAN**

A JACKSON newspaper man, John Hancock, has been named private secretary to Governor White. This means that the new administration is to have a "contact man" who may prove very valuable in presenting its case to the public from time to time. In selecting a newspaperman for this job Mr. White has followed the trend that has become general, particularly in Washington, where scribes hold numberless "key positions" because of their value as publicity advisers.

**INTERESTED IN OUTCOME TVA DECISION**

MISSISSIPPI is deeply interested in the outcome of the case involving assessment of TVA properties by states and counties for tax purposes, now pending in the U. S. Supreme Court. The value of TVA property in Mississippi is fixed at \$756,467. Should the pending case which went up from Alabama be decided in favor of the states, Mississippi and several of the northeast counties would realize a neat sum each year in taxes on the TVA property located in that section.

**SAFETY ON THE ROAD**

A CONFERENCE was recently held in Washington by the Red Cross Society and other organizations concerned about the terrible loss of life upon our highways.

One of the speakers was Secretary of Commerce Daniel C. Roper, who asked some very interesting questions in the course of his discussion, as follows:

"Among other things the interested public desires to know, as reflected in my correspondence, are these:

"Why is it necessary to manufacture cars with speeds of from eighty to 100 miles an hour?

"What steps are being taken by dealers to insure the public against the selling of high-speed cars to reckless, disabled and incompetent drivers?

"Have certain manufacturers, especially in the light car field, effected economies, particularly in bumpers, so as to make cars less safe?

"Why with all the engineering skill that the industry possesses, has no greater progress been made in taking the dangerous glare out of head-lights?

"What definite steps does the industry plan to take to help eliminate old and unsafe cars from the road?

"What is it going to do on its own initiative and not through outside groups—to bring about uniform traffic legislation and law enforcement?"

**MAKING PROGRESS**

AS 1936 gets underway it is evident that the nation is on the way out of its depression and in the midst of a wild argument as to what caused the improvement and whether it would have come anyway, or faster, if something else had been done or left undone.

In order that the reader of The Echo may form his own idea we give some figures applicable to leading industries:

Industry: Workers employed in 1926 8,484,400 in 1934 6,605,600 and in 1935, 7,109,000 estimated.

Gasoline Production: In 1926, 11 billion gallons; in 1934, 17.2 and in 1935 18.2.

Power: In 1926 74 billion kilowatt hours, in 1934, 91 and in 1935, 99, estimated.

Automobiles: Production in 1926, 4,505,661 cars, in 1934 2,869,963 and in 1935 4,150,000.

Lumber: Production in 1926 37 billion board feet, in 1934 15 1-2 and in 1935 17 1-2.

Steel: Output estimated at 34,000,000 tons one-third greater than 1931 but only two-thirds in 1935, two and a half times that of 1932, as much as in 1929.

While the figures given above show a steady improvement in the past two years they do not include the low production level to which industry went during the heaviest siege of the depression.

**THE DIGEST POLL**

WITH 1,370,774 votes from forty-eight states tallied the Literary Digest poll shows 541,845 now approving "the policies of the Roosevelt New Deal" and 828,929 voting "no."

The per capita of support is 39.53 and compares with the 61.15 majority that the New Deal was accorded in a similar poll in 1934.

What does it represent? Politicians and partisans are trying to give the answer, with the main idea of explaining it favorably to their own sides. Plainly, inasmuch as the ballots were sent to the same mailing list as in 1934, the poll shows a tremendous decline in the support accorded the President's policies by the people receiving the ballots.

Just what this means, translated in terms of the forthcoming election, is not certain. The New Deal is not so popular with business men as it was, and they are undoubtedly heavily polled in the ballots taken. It is not popular with others, notably radicals, who want more reform, and conservatives who want much less. If one knew whether negatives votes were cast for one or the other of these reasons the interpretation of the poll might be easier.

**20 LYNNED - 84 SAVED**

THE annual lynching statistics of Tuskegee Institute, one of the outstanding colored educational institutions in the country, have been made public for the year 1935.

Twenty persons were lynched in the United States, seven of which were in Mississippi and all except one in California were credited to southern states. Two of the victims were white men.

An encouraging factor is that this report shows that eighty-four persons were saved by officers from possible harm at the hands of mobs, and of these sixty-seven were Negroes. This means, according to the Tuskegee figures, that in four cases out of every five in which mobs sought to injure Negroes the white officers of the law protected the Negroes.

Of the twenty lynchings one over half took place in Louisiana and Mississippi leaving only nine which occurred in other states. Florida, Georgia and Texas were the reported locations of two each and California, North Carolina and Tennessee one each. These figures indicate that public sentiment is fairly generally opposed to the crime of lynching.

**EXEMPTIONS ASSESSMENT ROLLS**

MORE than \$17,000,000 in personal property is to be dropped from the assessment rolls this year under the exemption bill which became effective January 1. In addition the increased homestead exemption will top \$30,000,000 or more off the land assessments reducing the tax valuation by close to \$100,000,000. After applying these reductions the assessments will be: Realty, \$295,000,000; Personality, \$64,000,000; Utilities, \$89,000,000. Total, \$448,000,000. At the present levy of four mills for state purposes the 1936 assessment will earn a revenue of approximately \$1,792,000.

The only earned wealth is that which depends upon work.

**INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS OF THE MOVIES AND FILM FOLK IN HOLLYWOOD**

BERT WHEELER and Robert Woolsey are making a full length comedy on the pioneer days of American history. They are bringing out the comic possibilities, says their director, of the covered wagon era. Dorothy Lee will have the feminine lead.

Frank Forest, who won operatic fame in Europe as Franco Foresta, is under contract to Paramount. His first film will be "The Count of Luxembourg" opposite Gladys Swarthout.

Astrid Allwyn's hair is naturally blonde but in four different pictures she appeared with four different kinds of hair. In "Accent on Youth," she was a redhead; in "Follow the Fleet," a platinum blonde, and in "Way Down East" a blonde. She appeared as a brunette in "Hands Across the Table."

Franchot Tone and Freddie Bartholomew will have the leading roles in "Captains Courageous."

Herbert Marshall was educated to be a business man and only went on the stage after he had lost an accounting job.

The picture, with the Dionne quintuplets, is expected to be released about the middle of March. If the little stars oversleep, the rest of the cast has to stand by until they elect to wake up as their contract specifies that they are not to be awakened. The camera man is only allowed one hour a day in which to film them.

**LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE****THEN AND NOW.**

Bay St. Louis, Miss., Jan. 7, 1936.  
Editor Sea Coast Echo.

As the year 1936 opens, a brief survey of what was going on a century ago may not be void of interest. Relatively speaking, the Presidency of the United States was a new job and had been filled by no more than seven men, the fiery Andrew Jackson being in the White House, at the age of 69. Texas was part of a foreign country and during the year was to see her first Independence Day, followed by the well known Massacre of the Alamo which ended the career of such picturesque characters as Davy Crockett, and Bowie whose name is associated with the knife that he used when he made his last stand.

There were no personally conducted tours to Alaska or Japan, since the first steamship to cut the waters of the Pacific was getting under way for that historic voyage. The parent steam railway in the United States was but 5 years old, and the majority of the population never had seen a locomotive. The stage coach was the best means for getting about, with a newly constructed canal here and there to make travel by inland waterways a trifle easier. Some small boys named Hayes, Garfield, Arthur, Harrison and Grant were around and under foot in their respective communities, but nobody paid much attention to them. A man lighted a candle if he wished to be able to see after nightfall, chopped wood if he wanted to keep warm, and salted down pork to stave off hunger. When a tooth had to be taken out, the patient grinded and bore it. In the event of a more serious operation, the doctors got him drunk. The year 1836 was a period of hard times. Perhaps we have something of that sort still to contend with, but on the whole, January 1, 1936 held much more of promise in the way of comfort than January 1, 1836.

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**WITH THE PRESS****MUD, MULES, MORTGAGES**

(Columbus Commercial Dispatch)  
A Mississippian, who has been in New York for a number of years and who is a brilliant writer, is coming back home.

He says he is coming back to the "mud, mules and mortgages in Mississippi."

Happily it won't be that way long in Mississippi.

We will get rid of the mud in 1936 with the paving of the State's main highways.

Fords came very near putting the mules out of business, but the mule business is flourishing again.

Mortgages are being wiped out by the various governmental loan agencies.

The people are going to work.

They are getting off the relief.

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**A. P. EDITORS PICK BIG 1935 NEWS STORIES**

The death of Will Rogers and Wiley Post in a plane crash in Alaska and the Italo-Ethiopian conflict ranked highest in news interest in 1935, in the opinion of J. M. Kendrick and W. F. Brooks, executive news editors of the Associated Press.

Mr. Kendrick chose these as the "ten best" news stories of 1935:

- Ringers-Post crash.
- Trial and conviction of Hauptmann.
- Huey Long assassination.
- Economic improvement and court attack on "New Deal."
- Italo-Ethiopian war.
- German rearmament.
- Sinking of the Mohawk.
- Midwest's dust storms.
- Weyerhaeuser kidnaping.
- Barbara Hutton's divorce, marriage.

Mr. Brooks listed ten:

- Italo-Ethiopian war.
- Ringers-Post crash.
- Hauptmann trial.
- Invalidation of NRA.
- Huey Long assassination.
- Extension of the "New Deal."
- German rearmament.
- Florida Keys hurricane.
- Inaugural of air traffic over the Pacific.
- Sinking of the Mohawk.

Associated Press wire photo subscribers last week received pictures our editors consider outstanding wire photo beats of 1935, first year of the service."

The pictures illustrated the Ringers-Post crash, the Hauptmann trial, the Italo-Ethiopian war, Florida Keys hurricane, Montana earth quakes, boxing, football and baseball events the President addressing congress, the dust storms, the stratosphere flights, and the wedding of the Duke of Gloucester.

Seymour Berkman managing editor of Universal Service, in a radio talk recently picked these best stories: The Italo-Ethiopian war, Hauptmann trial, Ringers-Post crash, battle over the constitutionality of the "New Deal," Huey Long's assassination, German rearmament, stratosphere flight, Florida hurricane, crash of dirigible Macon, Japan's expansion in Asia, Bradock's winning world's heavy-weight boxing championship and the flight of the China Clipper.

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## Waveland News-Notes Personal-Miscellaneous

MES. W. I. White spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Herlihy.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie White and Miss Janice White came over for the week-end.

Mr. John Moree and his sister, Miss Bertha Moree motored to the city. Miss Moree after a few days stay, will return to Waveland and visit her brother's family for several weeks.

Mrs. Jean Keiffer of Chattanooga is on a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hallam.

Mrs. Jack Barnaman's daughter, Mrs. Desommes and Mr. Dessimmes have just returned from several months' stay in England.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Craft spent the weekend at Mrs. Swasy's cottage in Coleman avenue.

Mrs. J. Berg and her daughter, Miss Adelaide are here for a few weeks.

Mrs. Ada Miller, Mrs. Phil Kammer's sister have returned to the city after a visit thru the holidays.

Mrs. Gaines Jordy and Miss Sally Vinet spent the past weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Preston Vinet. Mr. and Mrs. Vinet drove into the city Monday on business.

Mr. H. Reidlinger has recovered from a serious illness, and he and Mrs. Reidlinger will go to the city to spend a while with their daughter, Mrs. C. Penedo.

Mrs. Clarence Wenar has returned from New York where she has been for the past two weeks. She had a delightful trip.

Mr. Harold Zimmerman was appointed Trustee of the Waveland Separate School District.

The ladies of Waveland have

### HELPS PREVENT MANY COLDS

Especially designed aid for nose and upper throat, where most colds start.

Regular Size .30¢  
Double Quantity .50¢

**VICKS VAPRO-NOL**

### A.&G.Theater

AMES & GASPARD, Props.  
G. AMES, Mgr.

Thursday & Friday, Jan. 9-10.  
ROCHELLE HUDSON & HENRY FONDA in  
"WAY DOWN EAST"  
Tarzan No. 9 and Short Subject.

Saturday, Jan. 11.  
JANE WITHERS & JACKIE SEARLE in  
"GINGER"  
Comedy and Short.

Sunday & Monday, 12-13.  
CLARK GABLE, JEAN HARLOW & WALLACE BEERY in  
"CHINA SEAS"

Fox News and Cartoon.

Tuesday & Wednesday, 14-15.  
SYLVIA SIDNEY & MELVYN DOUGLAS in  
"MARY BURNS FUGITIVE"  
Comedy and Short Subject.

Thursday & Friday, 16-17.  
"THE BISHOP MISBEHAVES"

Admission 10 & 25¢ Every Night  
Show Starts at 5 O'clock Saturday  
and Sunday  
Other Nights at 7 O'clock

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received by the State Highway Commission at Jackson, Mississippi, until 11:00 o'clock A. M. Tuesday, January 10, 1936, and shortly thereafter publicly opened for sealing the following Projects:

Work Order 706 in Pearl River County and Work Order 708 in Hancock County approximately 3.72 miles on Sildell-Picayune on U. S. 11 and approximately 18.7 miles on Sildell-Bay St. Louis Highway on U. S. 90. Contract time 35 working days.

Plans and Specifications are on file in this office, where detailed information and Proposals may be secured.

Certified check for five (5) per cent of the bid payable to the STATE OF MISSISSIPPI must accompany each Proposal.

E. D. KENNA, Director.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of administration on the Estate of Peter O. Bourgeois, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 26th day of November, 1935, and therefore notice is hereby given requiring all persons having claims against said estate to have same probated and registered by the Clerk of said Court within six months from this date, and failure to so probate and register same in six months from this date, will bar the claim.

PETER J. BOURGOIS,  
Administrator of the Estate of Peter O. Bourgeois, Deceased.

### CLARK GABLE, JEAN HARLOW, WALLACE BEERY HEAD CAST

Of "China Seas," Here this Week—Hailed as Greatest Adventure Drama of Year

The greatest star combination in the history of show business—Clark Gable, Jean Harlow, Wallace Beery.

In a red-blooded drama of fierce loves, bitter hates, deadly intrigues. Played on the plunging deck of a wheezy old liner beset by screaming typhoons and bloodthirsty Malay pirates off the wild southeast coast of Asia.

And with the three stars supported by a cast that includes no less than a dozen big names!

That's a vignette of "China Seas," new Irving G. Thalberg production for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, which Tay Garnett directed and which opens at the A. & G. Theater Sunday and Monday.

Gable as Hard-Boiled Skipper

It presents the three stars in roles of the types which made them famous—Gable as a hard-bitten young skipper of a passenger steamer on the most tempestuous run in the world; Miss Harlow as a wise-cracking, tender-hearted lady of the ports of the Orient, deeply in love with Gable and not afraid to show it; Beery as a genial Irish trader whose gruff affability makes his operations as the sinister "brains" of half-wild pirate bands.

The exceptional supporting cast includes Lewis Stone, Rosalind Russell, Dudley Digges, C. Aubrey Smith, Robert Benchley, William Henry, Live Demarest, Lillian Bond, Edward Brophy, Soo Yong, Carol Ann Beery, Akim Tamiroff and Ivan Lebedeff.

Filmed on Pretentious Scale

Filming of "China Seas" on a pretentious scale culminated two years of the most elaborate preparation. Originally a novel by Crosbie Garsin, the screen play received the attention of Jules Furthman, James K. McGuinness and other writers. It comes to the screen as one of MGM's outstanding productions of the new season.

ANSWERS CRITICS

The praise bestowed upon the President by Cardinal Mundelein, at South Bend, is regarded in some quarters as an answer to the Catholics who have been bitterly assailing the executive for his course in regard to Mexico.

Passing away of this fine type of citizen is of more ordinary regret. The remains were shipped to West Point, Miss., where he formerly resided. A number of friends from Bay St. Louis attended the last rites.

His home back of (Grey Castle) at Pass Christian, is one of the show places of the Coast, modern and the grounds a place of beauty. A swimming pool and bath houses and other outdoor improvements about the premises had no equal on the Coast. He supervised the building of this colonial mansion of modern architecture only a few years ago and ever kept open house. His doors were always open and true hospitality was dispensed here.

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Present as yesterday.

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Chas. B. Murphy, attendance 20.00

John B. Wheat, attendance 20.00

Calvin Shaw, attendance 20.00

Emilio Cue, attendance 20.00

T. E. Kellar, attendance 24.00

A. G. Favre, attendance 20.00

Be it ordered by the Board that the following amounts be allowed and paid out of the Road and Bridge Fund, as per bills on file, examined and approved, to-wit:

Chas. B. Murphy, Inspection 55.00

John B. Wheat, Inspection 55.00

Calvin Shaw, Inspection 55.00

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**The Sea Coast Echo****City Echoes**

—Misses Bernice and Eleanor Jacobs left during the week to resume their studies at L. S. U.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Osoinach of New Orleans were here Sunday visiting the Osoinachs and Porter families.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stiegler and daughter, Miss Aline Stiegler motored over from New Orleans and spent the week-end at their home in Ballentine street.

—Mrs. R. J. Ladner, Sr., and daughter, Beulah and Alberta Monti returned from New Orleans after spending the holidays with friends and relatives.

—Mrs. N. S. Cuevas, sister-in-law of Assessor Geo. L. Cuevas, who has been a medical patient at the local King's Daughters Hospital, has returned to her home over in Harrison county.

—Mrs. T. B. Glover who is widely known in musical circles of Missouri, arrived during the week to spend the balance of the winter in the sunny South. She is delightedly located in Waveland.

—Mr. Joseph Hemmersbach en route to Havana, stopped here Monday for a short visit with his father Prof. J. Hemmersbach his sisters Misses Marie and Cecilia Hemmersbach at their home in Main street.

—Mrs. Rene de Montluzin in company with Mr. and Mrs. Alden Mauffray spent Sunday in Mobile, Ala., where she was the guest of her sister Mrs. Theo. Combel. Mr. and Mrs. McCarty are warmly welcomed to our city as new residents and neighbors as well.

—Mrs. Rosa Sigerson of New Orleans was a recent visitor to Bay St. Louis, spending several days guest of Mrs. Jos. O. Mauffray and the Misses Mauffray. Mrs. Sigerson also visited her cousins, Mrs. P. Gaspard, Mrs. Charles Zerr and Miss Geraldine Ames while here.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Pitre have been enjoying the pleasure of a delightful visit from Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rhodin who reside in Louisiana, leaving here Thursday, after a stay at the family home in Main street. Mr. Rhodin is Mrs. Pitre's son and is well and popularly known, having resided here at one time.

—Miss Marguerite Villars, Miss Amelie Trouard and Mrs. A. Monroe of New Orleans paid a round of New Year visits to friends at the Bay Sunday. They were much interested in the pier that is to be built and predict it will bring a large increase of visitors to the Bay during the summer months.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark have returned from a motor trip that took them thru Florida and as far south as Miami, where they visited Mrs. Clark's uncle and family. They are again at home to their friends at their apartment with Dr. and Mrs. A. P. Smith. Mr. Clark's sister, from New York city, is visiting locally at present.

—Mrs. Harris Ray and Mrs. Walter Walt, residents of Greenwood, Miss., who have been visiting Mrs. Kate Scales, who spends the winters here, Union street, left for their home in the delta Tuesday. While on their visit here Mr. and Mrs. Walt visited at Mobile, motoring over one day and returning the next. Mrs. Scales' son attends St. Stanislaus college.

**NOTICE**

I have resumed my practice of medicine and surgery in Bay St. Louis.

DR. M. J. WOLFE.

Residence Office  
109 Union St. — Masonic Temple  
Tel. 111 Hours 10-12-2-5

**STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE MERCHANTS BANK & TRUST COMPANY**

Located at Bay St. Louis, in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, at the close of business December 31st, 1935, made to State Comptroller Department of Bank Supervision, State of Mississippi, in response to call made therefor as provided in Section 20 of Chapter 146, Laws of 1934 of Mississippi.

**ASSETS**

Loans and Discounts	\$226,392.93
Overdrafts	NONE
Other Stocks, Bonds and Securities	62,527.80
Banking House	\$14,543.82
Furniture and Fixtures	24,433.82
Real Estate owned other than banking house	43,312.48
Cash in vault and balances with other banks	49,776.58
Other assets	7,475.23
Total	\$418,918.82

**LIABILITIES**

Demand deposits, except U. S. Government deposits public funds and deposits of branch and other banks	120,001.34
Time certificates and Savings deposits, except Postal Savings, public funds and deposits of branches and other banks	160,825.93
Public funds of States, counties, school districts and other subdivisions or municipalities	44,258.50
Deposits of branches and other banks, including certified and cashier's checks	12.50
Total Deposits	\$324,598.27
Reserve for interest, taxes and other accruals unpaid	277.70
Dividend checks outstanding	567.00
Other Liabilities	1,367.51
Capital Stock and Undivided Profits	NONE
Preferred A	NONE
Preferred B	NONE
Debentures	NONE
Common	35,000.00
Surplus	45,000.00
Undivided Earnings (less expenses, etc.)	7,108.34
Total	\$18,918.82

I, Joe B. Burrow, do solemnly swear that the above is a true statement of the financial condition of Merchants Bank & Trust Company, located at Bay St. Louis, Miss., County of Hancock, State of Mississippi at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1935, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct Attest:

JOE B. BURROW, Cashier,  
CHAS. G. MOREAU,  
GEO. T. HERLIHY, Directors.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: County of Hancock  
Sworn to and subscribed before me by Joe B. Burrow, Cashier this 8th day of January, 1936.  
(STAL).

EVELYN CONNER, Notary Public.

My commission expires February 26, 1938.

**Seafood Commission Meets at Biloxi With Dr. D. H. Ward, Pres't.**

The Mississippi Oyster Commission met in regular January session at Biloxi Monday and decided to open the Mississippi Oyster reefs to tonging immediately and allow dredging beginning with January 15. Several hundred boatmen will receive employment during the remainder of the season. Julius M. Lopez, appointed by Governor Connor as a member of the board from Biloxi, succeeded Louis Hahn, with the commission as did E. H. Bacot of Pascagoula. Officers at present are Dr. D. H. Ward, Bay St. Louis, president; Dr. M. R. Mosley, Biloxi, secretary; Louis Staehling, Biloxi, chief oyster inspector with deputies from the various Mississippi coast cities.

Oysters were reported in good condition, the supply plentiful and of excellent quality.

—Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Trudeau and daughter, Beatrice, who live in New Orleans, stopped off in Bay St. Louis during the early part of the week visiting friends. They were returning from the sad misfortune of attending the funeral of Mrs. Trudeau's father, John A. Vesey, who was the victim of his gun while out hunting the latter part of last week.

County Superintendent of Education Kenneth McCarty has leased the Sigerson dwelling in Main street near Second street and moved his family from the Kiln thereon, assuming his new office Monday morning. The dwelling is that formerly occupied by Joe B. Burrow and family. Mr. and Mrs. McCarty are warmly welcomed to our city as new residents and neighbors as well.

—Mr. C. M. Weeks left Sunday morning by way of Gulfport and Jackson for Chicago, where he is engaged in business under the firm name of C. M. Weeks & Company, Investment bankers. Mr. Weeks came down to spend the holidays with his family and to fraternize with the many friends he has in this section. A friend of Bay St. Louis and an ardent booster, he says he is always glad to get back to the Coast and enjoy the warmth of both the people and hospitality of way down South.

—Mrs. Hubert de Ben and young daughter, Melanie, returned home during the early part of the week after spending a while in Florida. Mrs. de Ben visited friends at Jacksonville and spent part of the time at St. Augustine, and with a party of friends visited Palm Beach and Miami before returning home. Melanie has been at St. Joseph's Academy, St. Augustine, since the opening of the first semester in September, and will continue her classes at St. Joseph, Bay St. Louis.

—Mr. Stephen McCubbin, a valued member of the New Orleans News Company, who died suddenly last Friday morning was a frequent visitor to the Coast and had numerous friends at the Bay who are grieved by his untimely passing. Mr. McCubbin was with the N. O. News Company for many years, as executive manager and his place will be hard to fill. He was a warm friend of many years' standing of the family of Miss Josie E. Welch and also of the publisher of The Echo. His sudden passing is noted with sorrow.

—Mr. J. R. Ready, who has been at Bay St. Louis the past year, or more employed in the capacity of auditor in the sheriff's and tax-collector's office, left Tuesday afternoon for his home in Meridian, joining his family who had resided at the Answer while here. Mr. Ready has that happy faculty of making many friends and his efficient and cordial manner has won for him many friends and acquaintances. He is succeeded in the local courthouse office by Francis J. Bopp, Bay St. Louis.

—The city authorities and others are making an effort to obtain PWA funds to convert the property into a small craft harbor and other recreational uses. Plans for the improvements prepared by Colonel D. B. Shourds have been submitted to the public works administration at Washington and city officials are planning an early trip to Washington in behalf of the project.

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**OBSERVATIONS OF INTEREST AT XMAS TIDE ON WEST COAST**

Former Bay St. Louis Resident Writes of Varied Subjects in California

BY MRS. D. M. MC'CONNELL  
Santa Ana, Cal.  
December 30th, 1935.

Christmas here was misty, the windows clouded. I rose early in order to attend a Christmas tree party. Whilst in the bath room the floor suddenly began shaking. I rushed to the door—the key sometimes catches—unlocked the door and rushed out. The shock was over though.

After the Christmas tree I went to church. The scheme of decoration was poinsettia and pine. A lighted star over the altar. Beautiful music too, the organist is quite a celebrity.

Christmas dinner, two movies: "The Littlest Rebel," and "Whip-saw."

From the radio, I learned that a meteor fell near Los Angeles; that swallows swarmed over a quantity of liquor; that at the Santa Anita races on Christmas Day crowds were expected.

I looked at the paper: "50,000 fans are going to Santa Anita! What once was potato patch, is now a gorgeous place; a green infield, around it purple and golden flowers." The pictured horses were Ajaccio, Top Row and Ariel Cross. Next day I saw that Top Row had won by a neck over Ariel Cross. Its owner from the Wilds of Nevada, netted \$4,600.

The street lamp-posts here have red stars above a large picture of Santa Claus; Santa Ana Town on the reverse side. The West Coast Theater had been transformed by new carpets; amber walls; a golden curtain; red and green lights, with white lights in the entrance. Satin-covered lounges.

One store in Los Angeles has silver and red for decoration, another red chenille drapes. A window had a stage and seated doll audience. Bullocks has a city street of high buildings, cars rushing through the tunnels. Some sections seem a harvest home festival of toys and dolls.

The Mission Parks, only appear at Christmas time.

Some of the best movies shown lately are "The Man Who Broke the Bank," "Perfect Gentleman," "Rendezvous," "Charlie Chan's Secret," "Your Uncle Dudley," "Red Salute," "Beat the Band," "The Florentine Dagger," "Whispering Smith Speaks."

GULFPORT GIVEN 30-ACRE RECREATIONAL SITE ON BEACH FRONT

Mrs. Grace Jones Stewart Deeds to City Land Lying In Front Great Southern Hotel

A 30-acre plot of land lying in front of the Great Southern hotel was deeded to the city of Gulfport for park and recreational purposes by Mrs. Grace Jones Stewart, daughter of the late Captain Joseph T. Jones, founder of Gulfport, it was announced. It had been the plan of the Jones family to donate this strip of land to the city for recreational purposes for more than 25 years, it was said, the matter having been taken up with the City Park and Planning Commission as early as 1910.

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**Leetown Glee Club Is Still Progressing**

Tuesday night, December 17, Leetown community Glee Club under the supervision of Mr. Zack Lee, the recreation supervisor, met at the home of Mr. Leonard Stockstill.

Singing started about 7:00 o'clock and sang about an hour then they played games under the direction of Misses Ollie Smith and Eva Stockstill. Then singing was resumed until about 9:00 o'clock.

Each and everyone enjoyed themselves and are looking forward to the next meeting which is to be held at Mr. Tom Stockstill's.

The membership of the club has increased. There was a large attendance, but sickness caused a good many to be absent.

Arnold—Dubuisson

A wedding which claimed much interest on the Coast was that of Miss Viola Dubuisson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Dubuisson of Pineville to Mr. Carl Arnold, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Arnold of this city. The ceremony was performed in Pineville, Sunday, December 29.

The bride was attired in Navy Blue crepe with accessories to match. The bride had as her attendants her sister, Miss Anna Dubuisson and Miss Alberta Monti, cousin of the groom, both young ladies wore green crepe with accessories to match. Mr. Arnold had as his attendants his brother, Alfred Arnold, Jr., and Edward Anderson. After the ceremony a reception was held at the bride's home.

MRS. FRANK PARILLA'S 80TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED

It is quite an event and unusual occasion to celebrate one's eightieth birthday. Such was the happiness Sunday for Mrs. Frank Parilla's seven children, grandchildren and friends, when a reception and cake-cutting was held at the Parilla residence in Main Street, where she resided for many years, in a cottage hollowed with memories of other days and surrounded by her garden that has been her life's pleasure, season after a season—a garden with flowers at all times.

A cake, upon which in icing was inscribed "80th Birthday" was cut and served as part of the afternoon refreshments. Mrs. Parilla's birthday was on New Year's Day, but was celebrated Sunday for the reason her family on that day could be assembled, some residing away.

In addition to seven children present, there were seventeen grandchildren and six great grandchildren. The seven are: Miss May Parilla, Bay St. Louis; Mrs. Rosie Betz, New Orleans; Mrs. Anita Blaize, Mrs. Lena Henry, Bay St. Louis; Mrs. Nancy Tucei, Bi-lox; Joseph Parilla of Destrehan, La., and Miguel Parilla, Bay St. Louis.

Many friends called during the afternoon hours from 2 to 5 o'clock,